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23 March 1981

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Policy and Plans Group

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Chief of Operations (PTOS)SUBJECT: Items for the DDA Log  
18-24 March 1981

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2. Two two-man teams have conducted audio countermeasures inspections in [REDACTED]. One two-man team is in [REDACTED], providing technical security support to the [REDACTED] (C)

3. A branch member of Briefing and Services Branch/TSD presented an extended audio threat briefing on 20 March 1981 to 41 officers in NSA's senior cryptologic course. (U)

4. On 19 March 1981, two members of Information Systems Security group attended a briefing sponsored by the DDO/IMS on a new concept of providing access control. The new method involves an electronically programmable key mechanism that is

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marketed by [REDACTED] Based on the initial briefing, it appears that this concept may be applicable for enhancing the access protection to remote terminals and data bases. (U)

5. On 23 March 1981, a representative of Information Systems Security Group (ISSG) participated in a group meeting held by the Special Assistant/DDA to discuss the feasibility of utilizing an airline automated ticketing program at the Agency. Security and cover concerns were discussed, and further discussions will be required before making a decision to utilize the airline ticketing system. (U)

6. (ISSB) sponsored a briefing on 20 March by a representative of Brown Boveri-Recoma, Inc., re a 4 kilogauss degausser manufactured by this firm which could be used to degauss (wipe out) data on disk packs, drums, etc. Representatives of ODP and DDO/IMS also attended. We are exploring having this firm come up with a "special application" for CRAFT at overseas locations to quickly and efficiently wipe out classified data on disk packs in the event of a sudden emergency necessitating same. (U)

✓ 7. Two members of the Safety Group met with representatives of the Division of Consultation, Training and Inspection, Office of Federal Agency Safety and Health Programs, Department of Labor. The Agency's Safety and Health Program was discussed, with emphasis on inspections and training. The DOL representatives were given a tour of the Headquarters and Printing & Photography Buildings after the conference in [REDACTED] (U)

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